

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 22, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--However, in the conventional banding packing machine 20, in some cases in which the band B is further pulled back by the band pull back means 31 side, the tip portion of the band B vigorously passes not only through the band pull back means 31, but also through the normal rotating roller 30a of the band supply means 30. If the tip portion of the band B pulled back thus gets over the peripheral surface of the normal rotating roller 30a, the band cannot be supplied by the band supply means 30 again. As a result, an operator is ~~to~~must search for the tip portion of the band from the inner part of the packing machine body, ~~thereby guiding and guide~~ the tip portion of the band to a correct position passing through a portion between the normal rotating roller 30a and the touch roller 30b.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 12, with the following rewritten paragraph:

~~--In consideration of such actual circumstances, it is an object of the present invention to provide~~The present invention overcomes the above problem by providing a band refeeding method in a banding packing machine in which the tip portion of a band can be prevented from being ~~excessively~~ pulled back excessively beyond a predetermined position even if the band is automatically pulled back, and the band can be successively supplied toward the band guide arch side by means of a normal rotating roller.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 20, with the following rewritten paragraph:

~~--Moreover, it is another object of the present invention to provide~~provides a banding packing machine capable of easily executing the band refeeding mechanism.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 23, and ending at page 5, line 24, with the following rewritten paragraph:

~~--In order to attain the object~~Briefly stated, the present invention provides a band refeeding method in a banding packing machine,--

Please replace the section heading beginning at page 9, line 16, with the following rewritten section heading:

--DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTSINVENTION--